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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone for 16-24 lb. toms and 8-16 lb. hens mixed, ranging from steady to barely steady. No trading reported. Deliveries of retail items and availability of trucks taking priority. Demand and trading light for bulk parts and meats with most buyers out of the market due to the upcoming holiday.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Demand and trading light. Trading centering on drums, frozen thigh meat and mechanically separated turkey going to Mexico.



WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **NOVEMBER 23, 1999**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	76-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	76-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	76-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	76-80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	71-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 23 NOVEMBER 1999 .

Market activity was extremely quiet. Interest centered on fresh meat for processing needs and thigh meat for export. Spot availability of parts attracted little interest. Most buyers and sellers for parts and meats were out of the market until after the holiday.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	109.25	160
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	108.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		M	28.80	50
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		M	30.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	28.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		R	30.40	25
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	29.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	27.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	65.67	120
NECKS, TOM		F	18.00	14
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	139.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		M	140.00	120
THIGH MEAT		M	62.33	150
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		M	65.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT		M	106.38	52
SCAPULA MEAT		M	63.00	60
TENDERLOINS		T	125.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	50.75	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	20.25	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		M	17.69	160

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS				
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	25.20	520
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		M	20.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	63.00	59

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	103-104
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	103-104
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	80-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	80-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	80-82

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	88-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	87-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	87-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	88-104
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	90-104

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 24 NOVEMBER 1999 .

Due to the short processing week, supplies of fresh tom breast meat were occasionally tight for next week's delivery. Supplies of thigh meat tightened, and market tone was fully steady. Parts traded mostly in mixed lots. One load of fresh scapula moved at 65 cents and a partial load of tails at 12.5 cents. Export activity improved due to the new permits for Mexico. Twelve loads of frozen thigh meat, two loads of fresh thigh meat and two loads of frozen mechanically separated turkey moved at open prices for delivery in December.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	27.00-29.00		28.33	30
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		M	30.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	28.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	29.00		29.00	10
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	27.00	18
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	65.67	120
NECKS, TOM	17.00-18.00		17.73	110
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	139.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	138.50-142.00		139.77	441
THIGH MEAT		M	62.33	150
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	66.00		66.00	61
BREAST TRIM MEAT	108.00		108.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT	65.00		65.00	20
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		M	50.75	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	20.25	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.00-19.00		18.00	80
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	28.50		28.50	200
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	25.20	520
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00		20.00	280
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	63.00	59

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA				W/E 11/24/99
POULTRY HEALTH BOARD				ACCUMULATED
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL	
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS	
1999-2000	2,789	102,351	102,701	
1998-1999	623	196,284	196,634	

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